

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(CURRENTLY AMENDED)** A patient chair comprising:
 - a chassis comprising a frame,
 - a seating device intended for the patient and connected to the chassis,
 - a driving device for moving the seating device relative to the frame in the vertical direction between a lower and an upper position, wherein in the upper position, the seating device, and a patient sitting in the seating device, are inclined backwards relative to the lower position,
 - a stand which belongs to the chassis and extends upwards from the frame,
 - an element which is connected to the stand and which is continuously arched, and
 - means ~~cooperating with each other and~~ positioned on the stand and the seating device for guiding the seating device along the element in the movement of the seating device between the lower and upper positions, so that the seating device is continuously gradually tilted in the course of its curved movement in the vertical direction.
2. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein the stand itself constitutes the element.
3. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1 wherein the seating device includes a seat of a chair and a back of a chair, which form a unit.
4. **(CURRENTLY AMENDED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein the ~~element~~ is included in the means cooperating with each other and means for guiding the seating device consists of a back of a chair.

5. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1 wherein the element constitutes the stand and includes a back of a chair, and the seating device consists of a seat of a chair.
6. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein the driving device is manual, for instance a hand-operated winch.
7. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein the driving device is a machine, for instance an electric motor or a hydraulic assembly.
8. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 6, wherein the driving device has a pulling effect on the seating device.
9. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 6, wherein the driving device has a pushing effect on the seating device.
10. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein the cooperating means comprise a roller bearing arrangement.
11. **(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED)** A patient chair according to claim 1, wherein at least one plate-shaped calf rest with a calf rest pad is mounted on the patient chair, and wherein the calf rest is arranged by means of a joint arrangement to be pivotable between an inactive end position where the extent of the calf rest pad is essentially parallel to one side of the patient chair and the calf rest pad is located close to the patient chair, and an active end position where the calf rest pad is capable of supporting the patient's leg when extended, away from the patient chair.

12. (NEW) A patient chair including:
- a. a frame,
 - b. a seat intended for the patient, the seat being movable relative to the frame in the vertical direction between a lower and an upper position, wherein:
 - (1) in the lower position, the seat is oriented at least substantially horizontally, and
 - (2) in the upper position, the seat is inclined backwards relative to the lower position,
 - c. a stand extending upwardly with respect to the frame, the stand being situated behind the seat, wherein:
 - (1) the stand is arched, and
 - (2) the seat moves between the lower and upper positions along a path defined by the stand.
13. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 12 wherein:
- a. the seat includes a seat back extending upwardly therefrom; and
 - b. the stand is situated behind the seat back.
14. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 12 wherein the stand defines a track along which the seat travels.
15. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 14 wherein rollers are interposed between the seat and the stand, with the rollers riding along the stand.
16. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 12 wherein the stand arches upwardly with respect to the frame and rearwardly with respect to the seat.

17. (NEW) A patient chair including:
- a. a frame defining a chair base, the frame bearing wheels whereby the patient chair is transportable on the base;
 - b. a seat intended for the patient,
 - c. a stand extending upwardly with respect to the frame, the stand being situated behind the seat;
 - d. a bearing engaged between the seat and the stand, wherein the bearing engages at least one of the seat and the stand to allow movement of the seat with respect to the stand, with such movement being between:
 - (1) a lower seat position wherein the seat is oriented at least substantially horizontally, and
 - (2) an upper seat position above the lower position, wherein the seat is inclined downwardly as it extends toward the stand.
18. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 17 wherein the seat travels along an arcuate path between the lower seat position and the upper seat position.
19. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 17 wherein the stand:
- a. is arched, and
 - b. defines an arcuate path along which the bearing travels.
20. (NEW) The patient chair of claim 17 wherein:
- a. the seat has a rear seat back extending upwardly therefrom, and
 - b. the bearing is engaged to the seat back.